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RE: Patentability Search
For: **DOUBLE BLADE BLENDER APPARATUS**
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Our Ref. No.: SDA1017

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Dear William:

We have completed the patentability search at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding the above-identified invention. The field of search covered Class 366, subclasses 197, 199, 205, 292, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301 and 314. Additionally, a computer database search was conducted on the USPTO systems EAST and WEST. Examiner Tony Glen Soohoo in Class 366 (Art Unit 1723) was consulted in confirming the field of search.

The search was directed towards a double blade blender apparatus. In particular, the search was directed towards a blender having at least two blades disposed adjacent to each other, where each blade has its own blade shaft, as further shown and described in the disclosure.

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Please note the enclosed documents listed in numerical order for convenience:

<u>U.S. Patent Number</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>
0,950,056	Rice
2,794,626	Sterrit
2,990,978	Charos
3,332,368	Stickelber
3,334,873	Stickelber
3,342,425	Morton
3,722,831	Bialas et al.
4,256,407	Seiderman
4,493,557	Nayak et al.
4,758,095	Kunda et al.
4,775,239	Martinek et al.
4,911,557	Dormer et al.
5,083,506	Horn et al.
5,094,541	Nelson
5,118,199	Howk
5,228,775	Horn et al.
5,299,865	Presnell
5,460,448	Woolsey
5,463,937	Belongia et al.
5,697,704	Coyle
5,758,962	Ismar
6,270,248	Yoshida et al.
<u>Published Patent Application</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>
2002/0196703	Rumph

Brief Description Of The Documents:

U.S. Patent Number 4,911,557 shows a dual-spindle blender includes a container having two intersecting lobes forming a figure-eight cross section with a cutter blade assembly disposed centered in each lobe. The container 12 contains first and second spindles 24 and 26 rotatably supported on respective shafts 64 and 66 of motors 54 and 56 and spindle 24 includes a plurality of cutter blades 68 disposed to rotate in a first common plane. See Fig 2.



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U.S. Patent Number 5,228,775 shows a reversing blender agitators, having improved methods of operating batch or continuous blenders (10) having a tub (11) and twin agitators (17,18) extending parallel to each other, each agitator having a horizontal shaft (19) and an agitator ribbon (12) wound helically around the shaft.

U.S. Patent Number 5,463,937 shows an automatic bread maker having a pan. Such pan has a pair of pivot-mounted collapsible kneading members spaced horizontally along the bottom of the pan. Each kneading member is coupled to a separate drive shaft extending up through the pan bottom and both shafts are powered by a motor and drive linkage.

The remaining documents are of general interest for showing double blade blender apparatus.

While the above-noted Examiner was consulted and confirmed our opinion that the most relevant areas for this invention were reviewed, further searching may uncover additional patents.

Enclosed are copies of the cited documents and our invoice for services rendered and disbursements for this matter. NOTE: The field of search included the most pertinent areas identified by the Examiner and our office as containing relevant patents.

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